

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/565,358 : Examiner: BABIC, Christopher M.  
Filed: November 20, 2006 : TC/A U: 1637  
Applicant: HOSSAIN, Ashfaque, et al. : Confirmation No.: 5617  
Docket No.: 510563.4 : Customer No.: 61270  
  
Title: RAPID NUCLEIC ACID ISOLATION METHOD AND COMPOSITIONS

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Non-final Office Action mailed August 19, 2009, please amend the above-identified application in accordance with the amendments and remarks as set forth herein.

**Petition for Extension of Time** begins on page **2** of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **3** of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **6** of this paper.